

Buffalo, Nov. 5, 1870.

My dear Gray:

Very unkind are you
in taking no notice of my last,
which, if it were true to my feelings,
implied a great deal of love -
and ^{certainly} put diverse queries, answers
to which were important to me.
I learned that you returned from
Russia with a rough voice &
a big, bushy beard. Please for
good & return to civilization.
If you don't, I'll diet on
Tungus. I know you are
very busy, well that - but I
want you. Yours, A. Grayth
now & then, for sustenance.

I send what was sent me
by Dr D. Clark of Flint, Michigan -

- what I suppose to be *Vilfa vaginiflora* -
but which, as he remarks, has not
linear seed. A Manxeliotic character
of that species.

Yours ever, no matter
how you behave,

L. W. Chittum.

Dr Asa Gray.